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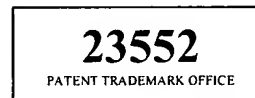
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet in the Appendix.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.